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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS,  
PROGRAM PRODUCT AND MANAGEMENT  
SERVER EXECUTING PRESCRIBED  
PROCESS TO A TRANSMITTED IMAGE (as  
amended)

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Examiner: Chirag R. Patel

**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

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Sir:

The following remarks are submitted in response to the Final Office Action dated April 4, 2008. Claims 1-23 are currently pending in the present application.

Claims 1-10, 12-20, and 22-23 stand rejected under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by Rublee, U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0043416. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Rublee is directed to a network-based scanning system where a scanned image is sent to an electronic e-mail address. The scanner appends an electronic mail address of the sender in the